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OVER A COMPUTER NETWORK

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**CROSS-RELATED REFERENCE SECTION**

This application claims the benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. Section 119(e) of United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/211,837, filed June 15, 2000, which is incorporated herein by reference.

**REMARKS**

The application is now in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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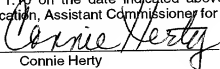


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